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Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 05225.0193-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Miwako DOI et al.

Application No.: 09/754,149

Filed: January 5, 2001

For: SERVICE PROVIDING METHOD  
AND SYSTEM

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Group Art Unit: 2151

Examiner: Tiv, Backhean

Confirmation No.: 3467

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

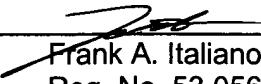
In a restriction requirement mailed March 30, 2004, the period for response to which extends through May 30, 2004 by a Petition for Extension of Time of one (1) month and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group I (claims 1-4), Group II (claims 5-16), and Group III (claims 17-24). Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group II, claims 5-16, characterized by the Examiner as drawn to "anonymity of user."

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: May 26, 2004

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